STAND. COM. REP. NO.

874

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 2 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1527

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 1527 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURORS AND PROSPECTIVE JURORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to streamline and afford greater flexibility to the courts to determine the most efficient and effective procedures for selecting, qualifying, summoning, managing, and compensating prospective jurors.

Your Committee finds that the current procedures for the summoning, selection, and management of prospective jurors and jurors are uncompromising. The Judiciary, with its information management system has the opportunity to streamline this process, reduce costs, establish more efficient practices, and provide a more user-friendly experience for those summoned and selected for jury service.

This bill allows for the electronic methods for selecting, summoning, and managing grand jurors and jurors. It also provides for flexibility to determine the most effective and efficient process for selecting, summoning, and managing jurors. It also revises existing terms and language for clarity and consistency, deletes certain provisions that are no longer applicable, and amends statutory provisions for consistency with the language in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Your Committee received testimony from the Judiciary in support of the bill. There was no testimony against the bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1527 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor,

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

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| The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: | | | | | |
| The Recommendation is: | | | | | |
| Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313 | | | | | |
| Members | | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| HEE, Clayton (C) | | | | | |
| KOKUBUN, Russell S. (VC) | | | | | |
| INOUYE, Lorraine R. | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | |
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| Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted | | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: | | | | | |
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